

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 9 as follows:

--The first set of article handling devices includes assemblies 126, 130, 132 (shown in Figures 7-9) and 134; and the second set of article handling devices includes assemblies 136, 140 and 142. Generally, assembly 126 is provided for assembling a group of lens carriers into a row in a first position 144, with neighboring carriers in the row contiguous to each other; and assembly 130 is used to move this row of lens carriers from that first position and into the pre-cure area 110. Assembly 132 is provided for moving the row of carriers across the pre-cure area 110 and into a final row position therein, and assembly 134 is used to move the row of lens carriers from that final position and out of the pre-cure area 110. Assembly 136 is provided for forming a row of lens carriers in a first position 146 in the ~~pre-curing~~ curing area ~~[[110]]~~ 112, with neighboring carriers in this row contiguous to each other; assembly 140 is used to move this row of carriers through a sequence of positions in the curing area 112 and to an end position 196 ~~[[150]]~~ therein; and assembly 142 is provided for moving the carrier in this row out of the curing area 112. Also, control means, schematically represented at 150, may be provided to control and to coordinate operation of the above-identified assemblies.--